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Background: As of 2014, the Faculty of Medicine (FMED) of Université Laval launched a Vice-Deanery to Social Accountability to foster a 2015-2019 strategic plan putting forth Social Accountability (SA). Concomitantly, a policy statement on Global Health (GH) inclusive of inner city, indigenous and international health was launched. A new GH division was attached to the Vice-Deanery, in the realm of a mismatch between health sciences students profiles and the reference population in the FMED catchment area, coping with social inequities in health. Objectives: Evaluate SA advances tackling FMED culture, orientations and landmarks through GH. Methods: GH has facilitated implementation processes: a nucleus leadership monitoring initiatives; a mixed board with academics, students and staff nurturing working groups on GH ethics, indigenous health, training and research in order to revisit programs; a series of citizens' forums giving a local voice to communities and finally international, indigenous and local partners influencing FMED perspectives. Results: An ASPIRE recognition at AMEE was achieved in 2017 on the SA governance component, but some outputs are interesting to look at, namely guides, instruments and concept papers through international projects, indigenous sensitivity and a community clinic (SPOT) for underserved population. This allows to measure SA advances on a gradient scale to monitor further progress in the coming years. Conclusion: Focusing on GH addressing populations within a fragile socio-economic, cultural and political environment could empower a social accountable organization with a meaningful agenda. Key word: Global Health – Social accountability – Faculty of Medicine - Governance